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Appl. No. : 10/765,344

Applicant : Robert L. Shuler, Jr.

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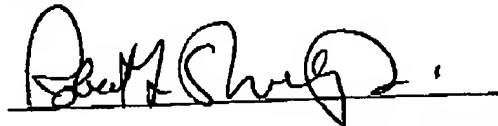
Examiner : Richard Z. Zhu

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**REPLY TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION**

Sir: In response to the Office Communication of May 12, 2008 (encl. see next page) requesting a fee for excess claims, I am completely puzzled as the application now has only one claim. Please advise giving more detail. I called and left a message at the phone number given on this communication, but haven't received a call back.

Previously in response to the Office Action of April 4, 2008, I requested that the examiner incorporate the objected dependent claim into an independent claim in the proper form via an examiner's amendment to place the application in condition for allowance. All other claims were canceled, withdrawn, whatever the correct term. Subsequently the examiner stated the application was in condition for allowance and requested by phone that I file a one month extension, which I did. Therefore I request the application be allowed. Thank you for your assistance.



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